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In re Application of: BRIGITTE BENAGE  
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Examiner: MATTHEW THEXTON

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 6, 2003 in connection with the above-identified case and in place of the previous election in the reply filed on December 30, 2002, Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, the invention represented by claims 1-89.

The examiner has also pointed out that the election in the previous reply did not provide for an election of a single species for component A. To correct this deficiency, applicant hereby provisionally elects, with traverse, 2,4-dinitro-6-sec-butylphenol as the single species.

Regarding the combination of claim 44, applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, 2,4-dinitro-6-butylphenol as the species for compound A with 4-oxo-2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-piperidinyloxy as the species for component B.

Action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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